

In RE application of M. SONE  
Serial No.: 10/765,165



For: STORAGE CONTROL DEVICE AND CONTROL  
METHOD THEREFOR

Patent

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- Small entity of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- No additional fee is required.

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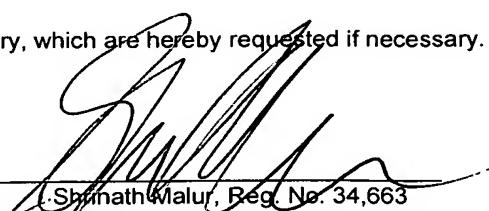
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of December 2, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows. A Petition and fee for a one-month Extension of Time also accompany this response.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks / Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.